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Invention: DATA DECODING APPARATUS AND METHOD, CHARGE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, DATA REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD, ELECTRONIC MONEY, ELECTRONIC USE RIGHT, AND TERMINAL APPARATUS

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